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Re: Application of Ian David WORTHINGTON
TRACHEOSTOMA VALVE
Assignee: **KAPITEX HEALTHCARE LIMITED**
Our Ref: Q82451

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ a Submission of International Search Report and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR references.
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the cited references.
- ☒ three (3) sheets of drawings.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ **it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)**

A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, copies of references cited in the International Search Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.



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Priority is claimed from:

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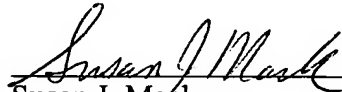
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, the above-captioned patent application is entitled to small entity status.

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